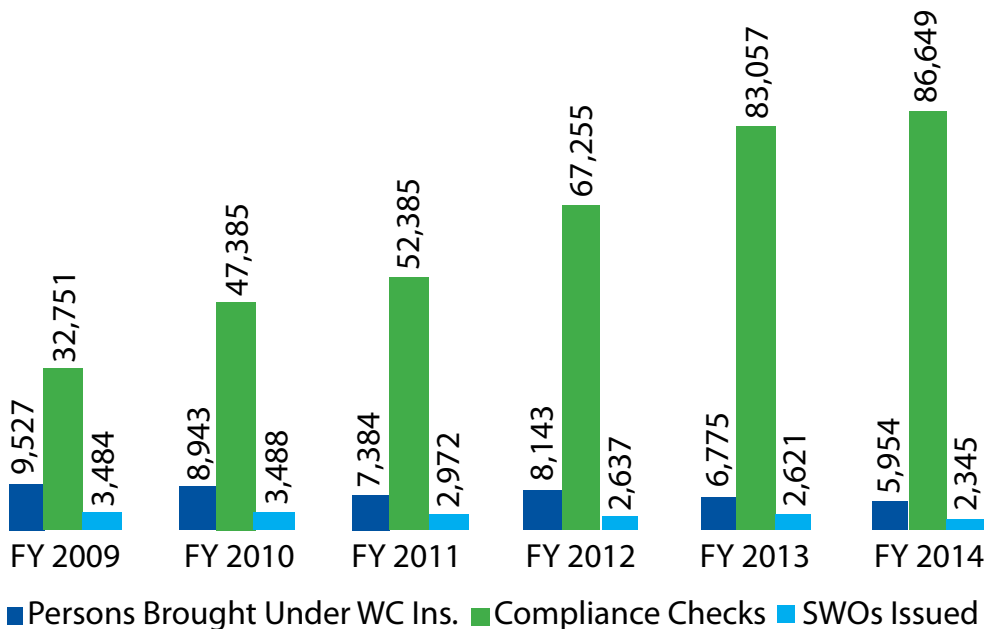


Department of Industrial Accidents

Compliance Checks, Stop Work Orders and the Resulting Covered Workers

One of the missions of the Department of Industrial Accidents (DIA) is to ensure access to Workers' Compensation (WC) coverage for the millions of working people in Massachusetts. WC is a form of insurance that provides wage replacement and medical benefits to employees injured in the course of employment.

In order to carry out this mission, the DIA conducts tens of thousands of compliance checks each fiscal year to ensure that employers are providing lawful WC to their workers. Since Fiscal Year 2009, the DIA has issued **16,328 Stop Work Orders** (SWO) to uninsured employers. More importantly, our enforcement efforts have **brought an estimated 50,000 workers under WC** insurance coverage during the same period.



To learn more about the Department of Industrial Accidents and the Workers' Compensation System in Massachusetts, visit mass.gov/dia